### ****Private & Confidential****

If you have difficulty completing this form, please ask Home-Start West Somerset for assistance.

**What are you interested in volunteering for Home-Start West Somerset in? Please tick one or more below:**

Home Visiting volunteer:

Group Support volunteer:

Fundraising Events volunteer

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| Name |  |
| Address including postcode |  |
| Home telephone no:Mobile telephone no.: | Email address: |
| Date of birth: | Place of birth: |
| Emergency Contact name & phone no |  |

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| REFERENCES: (If you have any difficulty providing this, please chat with a member of Home-Start staff) Please provide the name, address and contact numbers for TWO referees. These can be organisations or friends who have known you for a minimum of two years but must NOT be family members. If you have volunteered (in the last 2 years) or are currently volunteering / working with another organisation, then one reference MUST be from your most recent volunteering placement/ employer. **Please ask permission prior to submitting referees details and confirm full address.** |
| Referee 1 – Time known this person-In what capacity? | Referee 2 - Time known this person-In what capacity? |
| Name:Address:Postcode:Email:Telephone: | Name:Address:Postcode:Email:Telephone: |

**What are your Interests?**

**Please tell us any skills or qualities you would like to share?**

Listening and empathy for others

Friendly and nonjudgmental

Supporting families

Childrens learning and education

Childhood wellbeing

Early years support

Supporting communities

Digital

Working as a team

Outdoor skills

Crafts

Governance

DIY skills

Running events

Admin

Comms, media, pr

Other

**1) Please give information about your own parenting experience, work, or close contact with young children:**

**2) What did/do you find enjoyable about parenting, work or close contact with young children?**

**3) What did/do you find challenging?**

**4) How did you hear of Home-Start?**

**5) Why would you like to become a Home-Start volunteer?**

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| Do you speak any additional languages (including sign language) |  |
| Is there anything else you’d like to inform Home-Start West Somerset about your own personal needs/requirements? |  |
| What is the maximum time you could offer to Home-Start as a volunteer on a regular weekly basis? (suggested 2 to 3 hours per week for home visiting role) |  |
| Have you any commitments which could affect your work with Home-Start e.g. part-time work?  |  |
| What type of transport would you use? |   | If car - do you have a current clean driving licence? | Yes/No |
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As volunteers are in a privileged position supporting families and have contact with young children, Home-Start West Somerset has a responsibility to ensure that no one becomes a volunteer who would misuse this trust. Therefore, it is essential that you complete and sign this form.

The Disclosure and Barring Service has a guide which provides a simple and clear explanation of the disclosure application process. The guide can be viewed online at [www.homeoffice.gov.uk/publications/agencies-public-bodies/dbs/dbs-checking-service-guidance/app-guide-dbs-form](http://www.homeoffice.gov.uk/publications/agencies-public-bodies/dbs/dbs-checking-service-guidance/app-guide-dbs-form)

I give permission for Home-Start West Somerset to contact me, to keep me up to date about volunteering, fundraising and our work supporting families via email, post and phone.

I give permission for Home-Start West Somerset to carry out criminal record checks at an enhanced level with the appropriate agency.

I understand that my National Insurance number, passport and/or driver’s license may be required for identification purposes.

I understand that Home-Start West Somerset may hold personal information about me, including sensitive information such as age, race, sex and disabilities that they will use for their monitoring purposes I agree to them holding this information and understand that it may be shared with Home-Start UK for Quality Assurance purposes.

I understand that I may ask to see my records at any time.

**Data-**

I confirm that the information given on this form is correct and that I have not knowingly withheld any material fact. Under the Data Protection Act 2018, I hereby consent for the information in this application form, about myself and others, to be processed by Home-Start West Somerset for the purposes of recruitment. I hereby give my permission to those individuals or organisations contacted for the purpose of this background check to give their full and honest evaluation of my suitability for the described volunteer role and other information as they deem appropriate

Signed: Date:

If you have any concerns, please discuss this further with: Manager/Senior Coordinator Clare Pound. You can phone the office on 01643 707304, or text Clare’s mobile on 07826326055 or email manager@homestart-westsomerset.org.uk.